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Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D. C. 20231

Dear Sirs:

## STATEMENT FILED PURSUANT TO THE DUTY OF DISCLOSURE UNDER 37 C.F.R. SECTION 1.56

Pursuant to the Duty of Disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, applicants hereby make the following patent(s) of record in the above-identified application:

- 1. "HIGH SPEED OVERWRITABLE MAGNETO-OPTIC RECORDING", Takeshi Nakao et al, Japanese Journal of Applied Physics, Vol. 26(1987) Supplement 26-4, pp 149 to 154.
- 2. "HIGH DENSITY MAGNETO-OPTICAL DISC CAPABLE OF OVERWRITING BY MAGNETIC FIELD MODULATION", Ryo Ando et al, Japanese Society of Electronics, Information, and Communication Engineers, Technical Research Report MR87-37 November 1987, pages 13-20.

A copy of the above-identified patent(s) is enclosed herewith.

It is respectfully requested that this art be: (1) fully considered by the Patent and Trademark Office during examination of this application; (2) listed on the "Notice of

References Cited" issued during the course of prosecution of this application; and (3) printed on any patent which issues from this application.

## DISCUSSION OF PRIOR ART

The first reference, "HIGH SPEED OVERWRITABLE

MAGNETO-OPTIC RECORDING" discloses a fundamental construction
of an apparatus having capability of overwriting by magnetic
field modulation in a magneto-optical disk recording and
reproducing apparatus.

The second reference, "HIGH DENSITY MAGNETO-OPTICAL DISC CAPABLE OF OVERWRITING BY MAGNETIC FIELD MODULATION" is relevant in that a rewritable digital audio disk apparatus in which an EFM signal of CD format is recorded and reproduced by a megnetic field modulation system is shown.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider this patent(s), along with any others previously submitted, in reaching a determination concerning the patentability of the present claims and respectfully assert that the present claims patentably distinguish over the cited art.

An early and favorable action is hereby earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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